



## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2011 and 2012

HB1345

Introduced 2/9/2011, by Rep. Dwight Kay

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

60 ILCS 1/95-35 new  
65 ILCS 5/1-4-9 new

Amends the Township Code and the Illinois Municipal Code. Provides that any punitive damages awarded against a township or a municipality shall be capped at 2 times the amount awarded to the claimant or \$250,000, whichever is greater.

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1 AN ACT concerning local government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Township Code is amended by adding Section  
5 95-35 as follows:

6 (60 ILCS 1/95-35 new)

7 Sec. 95-35. Punitive damages; cap. Any punitive damages  
8 awarded against a township shall be capped at 2 times the  
9 amount awarded to the claimant or \$250,000, whichever is  
10 greater.

11 Section 10. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended by  
12 adding Section 1-4-9 as follows:

13 (65 ILCS 5/1-4-9 new)

14 Sec. 1-4-9. Punitive damages; cap. Any punitive damages  
15 awarded against a municipality shall be capped at 2 times the  
16 amount awarded to the claimant or \$250,000, whichever is  
17 greater.